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Inventor: Richard Johnson) Examiner: James Orville Hansen)
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 9, 2002. In the Restriction Requirement, election was required between Group I consisting of Figures 1-2; Group II consisting of Figure 3; and Group III consisting of Figure 4.

Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement, but provisionally elects Group I, consisting of Figures 1-2, for prosecution on the merits. Group I relates to claims 1-24, 27, 33, and 34. Applicant understands that all claims shall be eligible for prosecution on the merits upon a generic claim being held to be allowable. Applicant respectfully reserves the right to file one or more divisional and/or continuing applications

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claiming the subject matter of the non-elected claims if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

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